

House Resolution No. 4482

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize those Show-Me State residents who have valiantly answered the call to patriotic national service through their enlistment in one of the various branches which make up the United States military; and

Whereas, Ronnie L. Bishop of California, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a business administration student at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he is a member and chaplain of the Alpha Kappa Psi professional business fraternity; and

Whereas, Ronnie Bishop recently enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he decided to take a year off from his business studies in order to serve on active duty in Iraq with the United States Marine Corps; and

Whereas, holder of a National Defense Service Medal and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Ronnie Bishop is also noted for his serving as a 2002 Team Captain with Relay for Life and as a volunteer with Central Missouri Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, and Ronald McDonald House; and

Whereas, Ronnie Bishop has been encouraged and supported in his diverse endeavors thus far in life by his loving parents, Rita Rivera and Andy Gilmore; his beloved fiancée, Rachel Gabriel; and his brother, Michael Bishop, who also is a member of the Marine Corps and who recently returned from a tour of duty in Afghanistan; and

Whereas, the religious faith, true patriotism, and optimism of Ronnie Bishop have made him an inspiration to all who have had the pleasure to meet him:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Ronnie Bishop of the United States Marine Corps and to commend his decision to forego a year of collegiate studies in order to serve his country in the battle against terrorism in the distant land of Iraq; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Ronnie L. Bishop of California, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Rod Jetton
Speaker Pro Tem
District No. 156

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4482, adopted November 15, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker